

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF:

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Ms. Tiffani Kavalec, Chief Division of Surface Water Ohio Environmental Protection Agency P.O. Box 1049 Columbus, Ohio 43216-1049

Dear Ms. Kavalec:

Thank you for your letter of October 17, 2017, submitting Ohio Environmental Protection Agency's adopted revisions to its general water quality standards rules at Ohio Administrative Code chapters 3745-1-01 and 3745-1-04. This rule package was complete with the receipt of the Ohio Attorney General's certification letter, dated November 30, 2017 and received by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency on December 8, 2017.

Consistent with Section 303(c) of the Clean Water Act and federal regulations at 40 CFR 131.21, EPA is required to review and approve all new or revised State water quality standards. EPA has reviewed the information submitted in support of the new or revised standards and hereby approves the rule revisions pursuant to Section 303(c) of the Clean Water Act and federal regulations at 40 CFR 131.21.

If your staff has any questions regarding this approval, please contact Aaron Johnson of my staff at (312) 886-6845 or johnson.aaronk@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

Christopher Korleski Director, Water Division

cc: Audrey Rush, Ohio EPA (electronic) Chris Skalski, Ohio EPA (electronic)

Enclosure